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CARDSTON

(THE TEMPLE CITY)

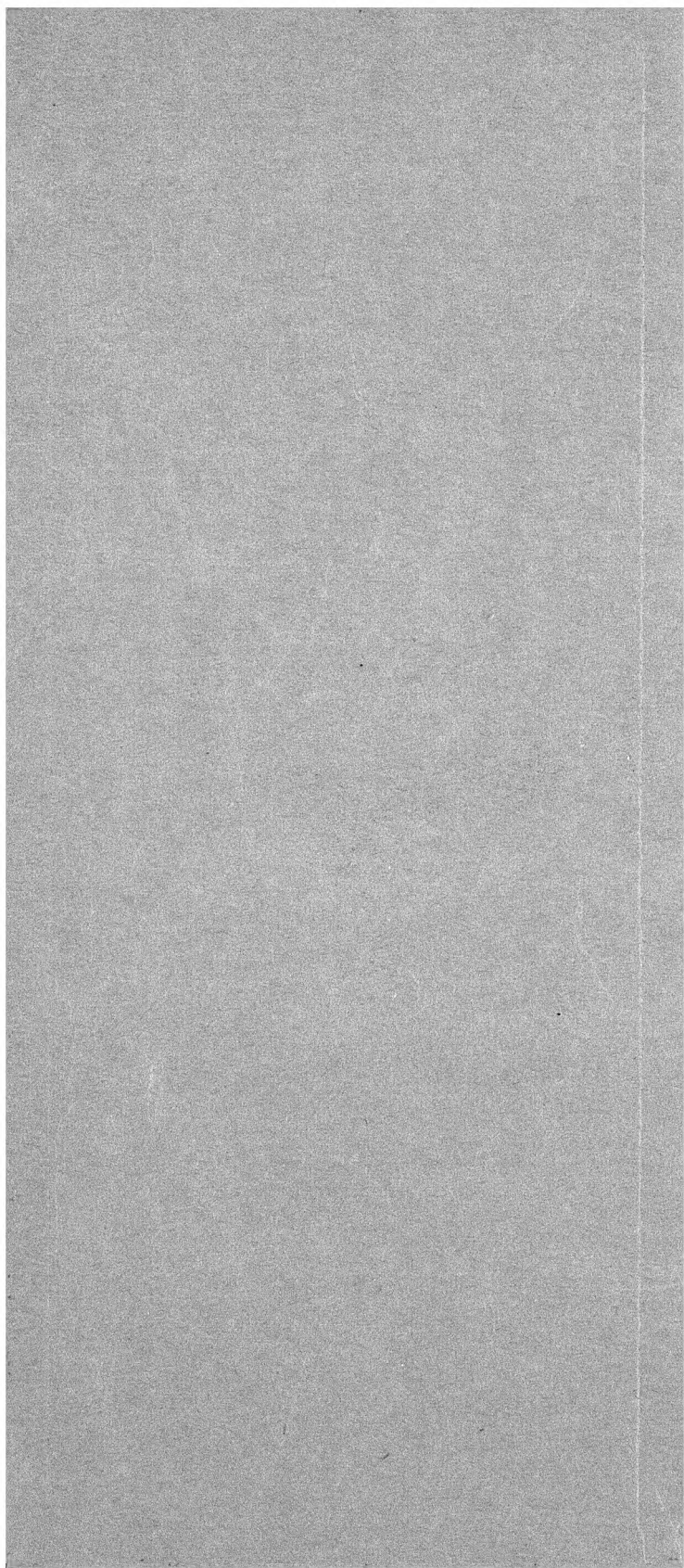
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KEY PLAN TO THE TOWN OF CARDSTON

NORTH



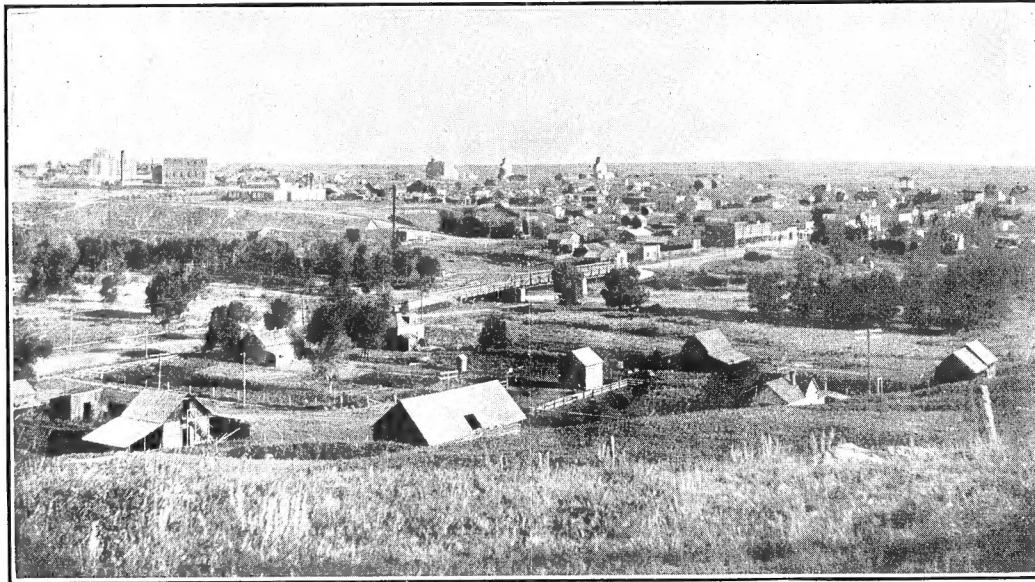
Cardston is the center of a rich Farming District; black loam soil on clay subsoil.



HEAVY GRAIN YIELDS CHARACTERISE THE DISTRICT

Annual average precipitation about 19½ inches
Altitude of Cardston is 3840 feet.

Cardston, the Beautiful, the Temple City.

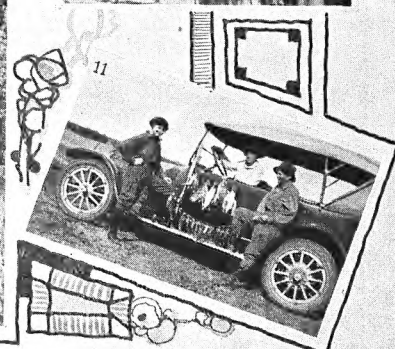
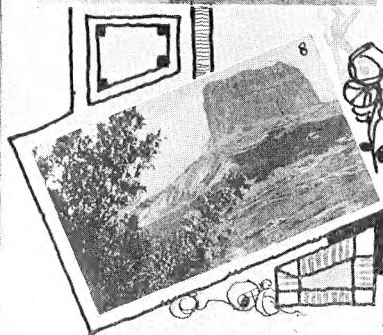
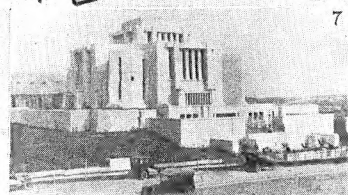
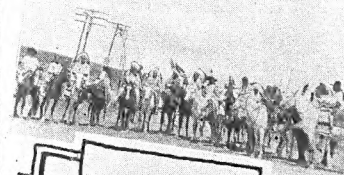
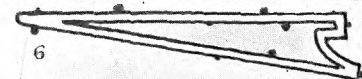
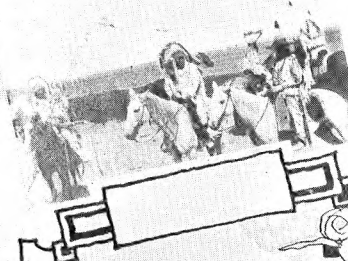
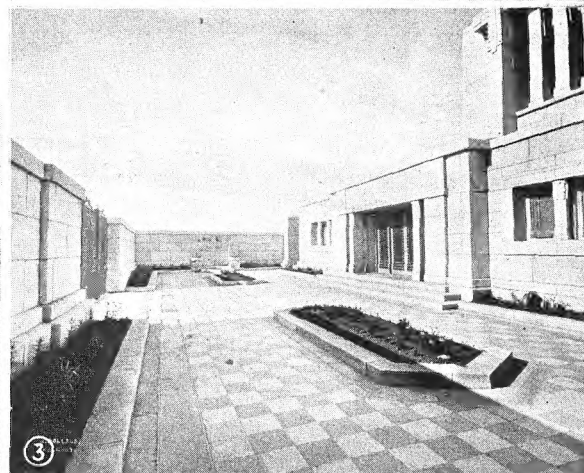
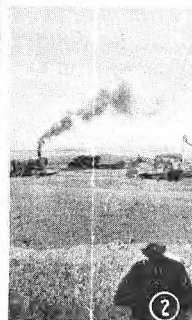
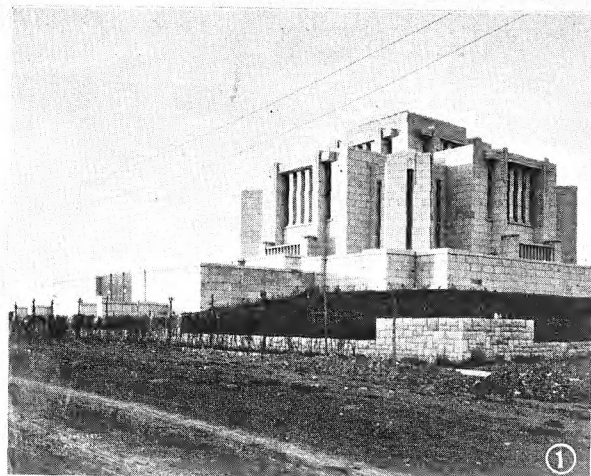


Part of Cardston, looking Northwest, showing business section.

THE history of **CARDSTON** dates back to June 3, 1887, when a company of Mormon pioneers from Utah, "squatted" on what is now the town of **CARDSTON**, took up their homesteads before there was a railroad closer than fifty miles. The settlement grew. On July 2nd, 1902, the Municipality of the Town of **CARDSTON** was incorporated with Mr. Card as the first Mayor. As early as 1890 the Temple square was given to the people of **CARDSTON** for church purposes by this original pioneer. A few years later the stone was quarried near **CARDSTON** for the foundation of a Tabernacle.

Settlements began to grow up around **CARDSTON**, as follows: Aetna, Kimball, Woolford, Beazer, Leavitt, Mountain View, Hill Spring and Glenwoodville. The district grew to such proportions that the railroad was extended into **CARDSTON** in 1905, since which time the surrounding country has made a substantial and prosperous growth.

CARDSTON is located in the South Western portion of the Province of Alberta, Canada, about fourteen miles north of the United States boundary line and on the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains. It is the Southern terminus of the Canadian Pacific



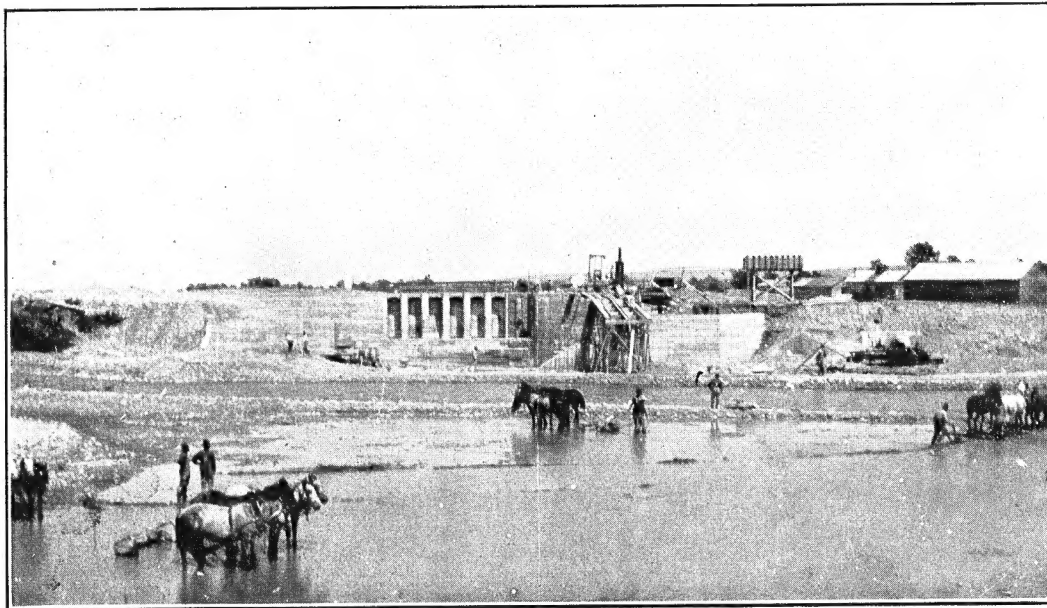
SCENES IN AND AROUND CARDSTON, ALBERTA

- 1.—General view of The Great White Temple.
- 2.—Threshing, a typical scene in the Cardston district.
- 3.—Outer Court of The Great White Temple.
- 4.—A meeting of the Chiefs at Cardston.
- 5.—A general view of Cardston: (1) Free Camping Ground; (2) The Great White Temple; (3) Latter Day Saints' Tabernacle; (4) Public and High Schools and Gymnasium; (5) Municipal Power Plant; (6) Ellison Milling Company; (7) Main St. and Business Section; (8) Public Municipal Hospital.
- 6.—Indians preparing for the hunt at Cardston.
- 7.—Another view of The Temple.
- 8.—Chief Mountain, the first point of interest approaching Cardston.
- 9.—A scene in the United Irrigation District, Cardston.
- 10.—A good catch near Cardston, average weight three and a half pounds.
- 11.—Real game hunting at Cardston.

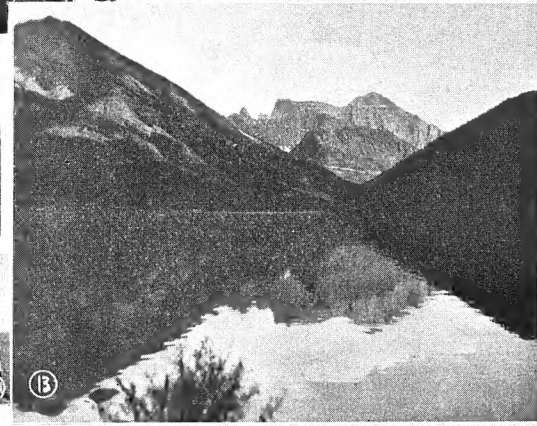
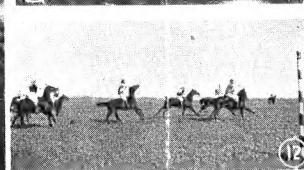
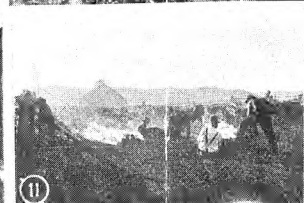
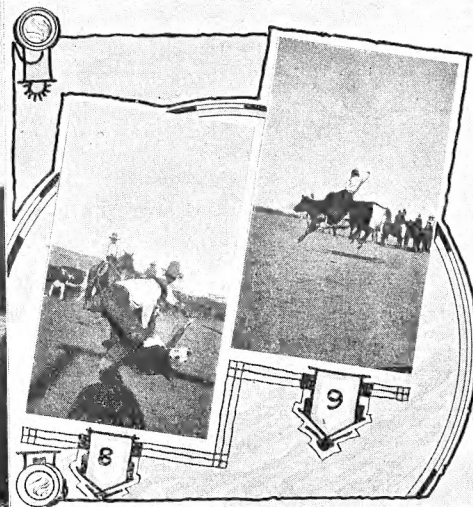
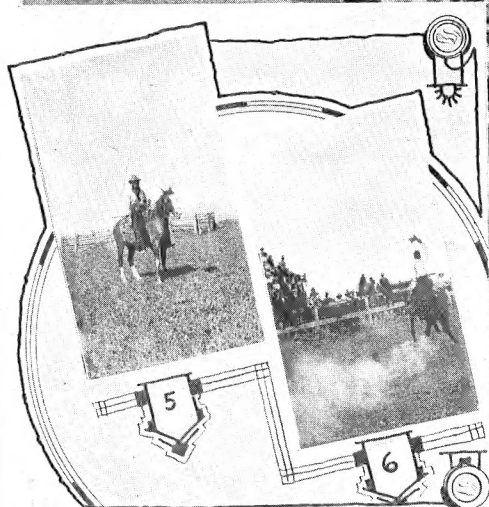
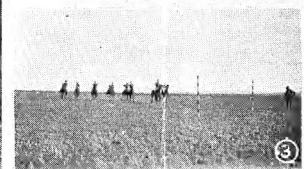
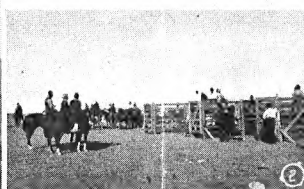
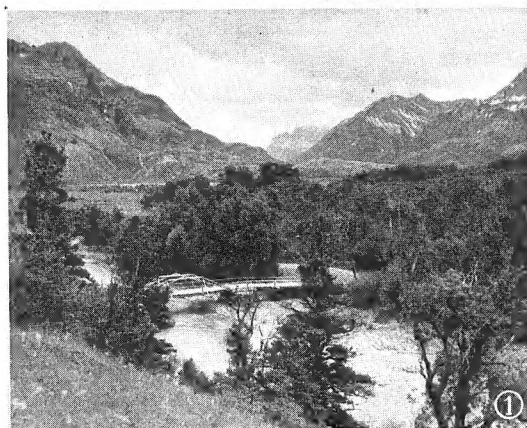
Railroad and is on the **cross roads** of **three national parks**: The Waterton Lakes Park, 24 miles west; Banff National Park, north, both in Canada, and the Glacier National Park, 26 miles south, in the United States. It is a prosperous, well-built and progressive town, and is the trade and educational center of thirteen smaller towns and twenty-five school districts, and has a district population of six thousand, eighteen hundred of whom live in **CARDSTON**.

CARDSTON, among other things of interest, contains a Latter-Day Saint Temple, an unique and up-to-date structure built in the form of a Maltese Cross. This is one of the most beautiful buildings in Canada, and the whole earth has been ransacked to

provide its interior furnishings. The white granite of which the body of the temple is constructed was imported from British Columbia. The onyx which decorates some of the interior rooms came from Pelican Point, Utah; the fine marble from Tennessee and Italy, while the United States, Canada, Circassia, Italy and Africa have each sent some of the rare wood which adorn its interior. When completed the building, furniture, grounds, etc., will have cost over one million dollars. It has already been visited by thousands of tourists and will be open to the general public until the latter part of August, 1923, after which it is closed to the public.



Headgates of United Irrigation Canal, on Belly River, near **CARDSTON**



SCENES IN AND AROUND CARDSTON, ALBERTA

- 1.—Auto road at Waterton Lake Park.
- 2.—Bucking horse chutes.
- 3.—Playing Polo.
- 4.—Mountain sheep on a summit near Cardston. One of the best photos of big horn in their natural element ever taken.

- 5.—Going to the round-up.
- 6.—Broncho busting.
- 7.—View of Waterton Lakes from Cameron
- 8.—Holding him down. Cowboy sports.

- 9.—Riding a bucking steer.
- 10.—General view of Waterton Lake.
- 11.—Branding at Waterton Ranch.
- 12.—Playing polo.
- 13.—Reflections in Waterton Lake.

CARDSTON'S UTILITIES

CARDSTON has a gravity water system and an electric light plant, both of which are owned by the Municipality. It has up-to-date hotels, denominational churches including Presbyterian, and Anglican, Provincial Court House, Customs and Internal Revenue Office, three grain elevators, fine public and high schools, the largest co-operative creamery in the Province, four modern banks, efficient garages, natural gas (yet undeveloped), coal, building stone and brick-making clay. It is the shipping and distributing point for the thirteen smaller towns which surround it. As a shipping point its business is immense. It is estimated that over 1,500,000 bushels of grain will be exported this season, thousands of head of cattle, sheep, hogs, and many car-loads of dressed poultry, veal and mutton are sent out annually. **CARDSTON** has an ideal climate and is fast becoming the chief business and trade center and garden spot of South Western Alberta.

The following named industries could be profitably established in **CARDSTON**.

A pork packing plant.

A flour mill.

A cannery for peas, beans, etc.

A starch factory, and there is unlimited room and splendid opportunity for farmers, ranchers, and livestock dealers as the district surrounding is devoted to agriculture and livestock raising and small fruits yield exceptionally well.

YIELDS

The average yield of hard wheat per acre without irrigation is twenty-five bushels. In exceptional instances as high as sixty-three bushels per acre have been raised.

Coal is found in abundance within a radius of four to eighteen miles of Cardston. Natural gas has been discovered within the town limits. The country to the west and south is eminently adapted to dairying. Grass is abundant and there is plenty of good pure water, and conditions are excellent for the making of the best grade of butter and cheese. The largest co-operative creamery in the Province has been established in Cardston, and, during the short period of its existence, it has paid out over one-half million dollars to farmers for milk and cream. Its entire supply of butter is readily disposed of. In connection with the creamery is a cheese factory at Mountain View, which makes an excellent product. It is unable to supply the demands of the market.

The town of **CARDSTON** is experiencing a healthy growth. Many new residences have been and are being erected and substantial additions are being made to the business section of the town. Gray sandstone of excellent quality is available, and there is an abundance of clay for the making of good brick.

CARDSTON has been very successful at winning prizes. At the International Dry Farming Congress in 1912, **CARDSTON** carried off fifty-one prizes, including several sweepstakes. **CARDSTON** has also won the prizes for the best exhibit of cultivated and uncultivated forage crops three years in succession at the dry farming congress at Spokane, Colorado Springs and Lethbridge, also the individual Farmer's Championship twice, and three times for the best display of agricultural products by a Board of Trade or commercial body, open to the world, and several hundred other prizes during the five or six years they have exhibited.

IRRIGATION

The United Irrigation District has been established about eighteen miles north and west of **CARDSTON**. The tract of land lies between the Waterton and Belly rivers and comprizes 39,000 acres of good lands which may be irrigated. Irrigation water costs this United District less than \$20.00 per acre over a bonding period of thirty years at 5½ per cent. interest. Home seekers can avail themselves of this land at moderate prices from \$25 to \$50 per acre. Other lands in the district are worth from \$10 to \$45 per acre, prices depending upon location and adaptability of land to grain and mixed

farming. Business properties and building lots in the town are moderately priced for intending settlers and can be purchased on reasonable terms, the prevailing rate of interest on land being 6 per cent. for any deferred payments.

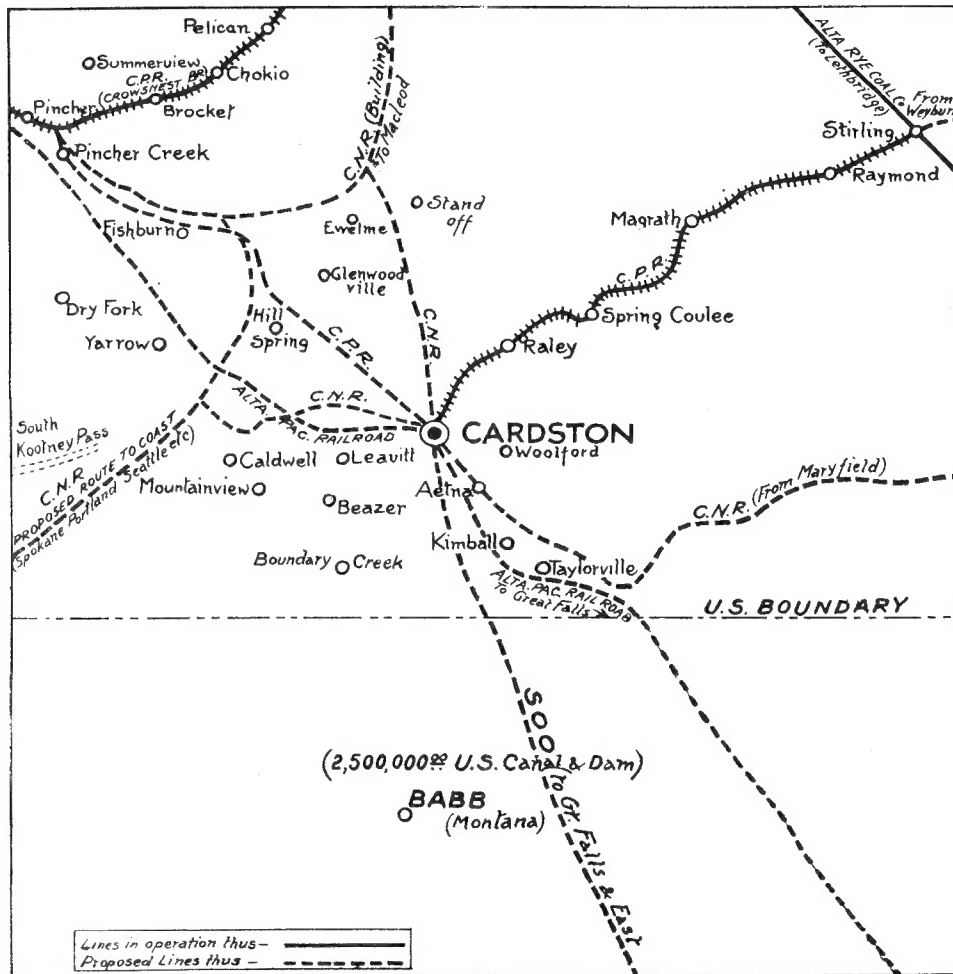
FREE CAMPING GROUND

CARDSTON provides a free camping ground for tourists in a natural grove on Lee's Creek; modern conveniences. Any good citizen desiring to locate in a land and town of opportunity will find a hearty welcome in **CARDSTON**. For additional information write **Cardston Board of Trade**, Cardston, Alberta, Canada.



Cameron Falls, Waterton Lakes National Park, near **CARDSTON**

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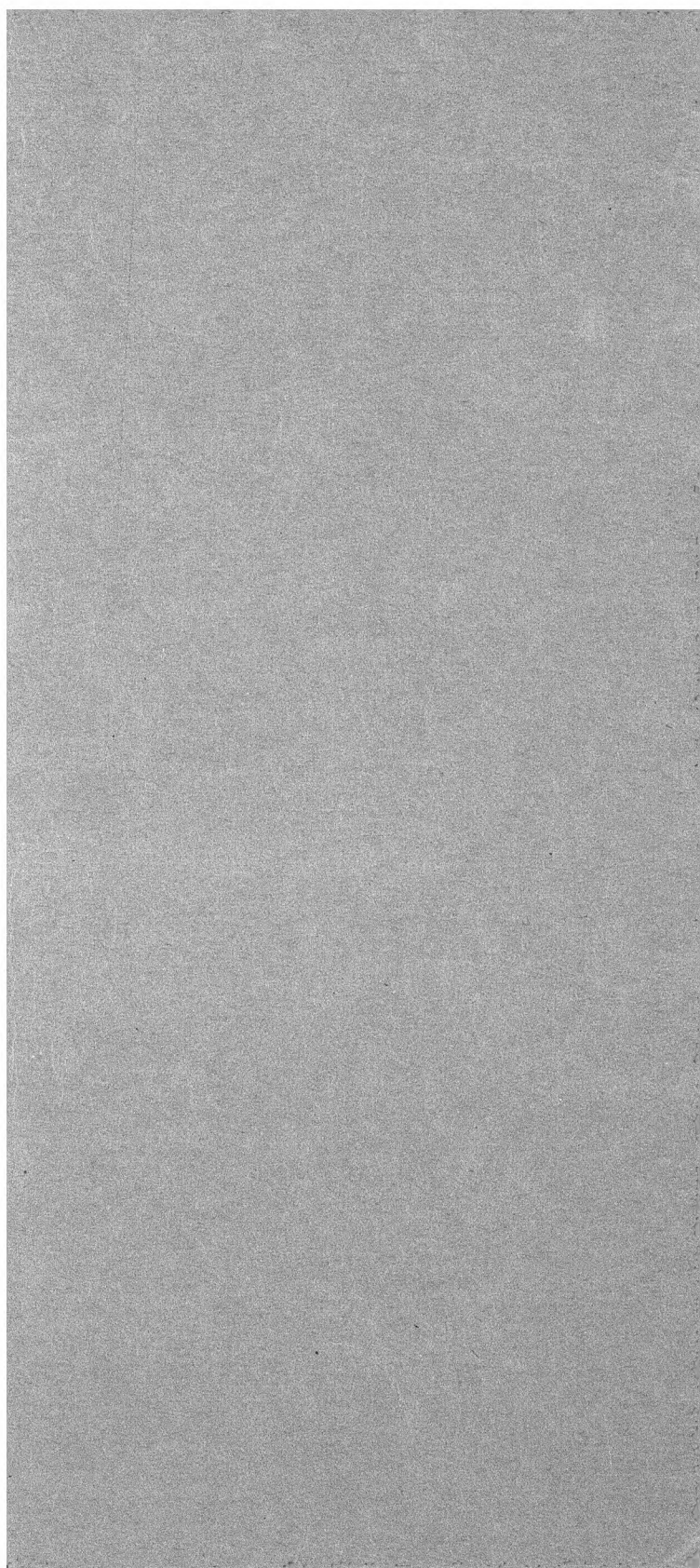


Above proposed lines show CARDSTON a logical trade center—13 miles north of Montana line, 25 miles east of Rocky Mountains.

DISTANCE BY AUTO FROM CARDSTON TO

- Lethbridge, north-east, 56 miles, Yellow Trail.
- Calgary, north, 174 miles, Blue Trail.
- Banff National Park, north, 259 miles, Blue Trail.
- Many Glacier Hotel, south, 28 miles, Blue Trail.
- Great Falls, south, 237 miles, Blue Trail.
- Salt Lake City, south, about 755 miles, part Blue Trail.
- Los Angeles, 1924 miles, Blue Trail.

All auto trails to **CARDSTON** are graded and easy to travel. **CARDSTON** is affiliated with the Southeastern B. C. and South Alberta Tourist Traffic Association, the Good Roads Association and leading Automobile Associations.



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